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### Seeks to Recover \$300,000 Seizure

The possibility that prohibition officials may be forced to return the \$300,000 worth of wine seized Monday at the establishment of the Menorah Wine company, 110 Bowers, and five stores to be operated by the company as seen yesterday in an order from the prohibition commission.

### Support of the Newspapers in the Enforcement of Prohibition

Support of the newspapers in the enforcement of prohibition was asked in a statement sent to editors by pastor of 256 Protestant churches in New York City yesterday.

### Thaw Refuses to Increase Miners' Rent

PITTSBURGH, March 29.—The crusade of the Baptist Ministers' Association of this city against profiteering landlords brought to light today the fact that Mrs. William Thaw, mother of Harry Thaw, has not only refused to permit her agents to increase the rents of her properties, but that she has ordered the return of increased rents levied on tenants imposed by an agent without her consent or authority.

### Waiter Robbed of \$1,000

Stan Ubanuwa, a Russian, lost \$1,000 in savings several years ago when a Russian bank failed, and since then has kept his money in an inside coat pocket.

## American Birth Denies Author Fame, Says Sinclair Lewis

### Tired Business Man Will Not Read Good Work, Declares Creator of Main Street, Promising to Write "Mean, Vicious" Book on New York

A new edition of the American "Who's Who in Literature" was issued yesterday from the platform of the Town Hall by Sinclair Lewis, the author of Main Street.

He cheered up his audience, which included most of the younger writing set, at the outset by telling them that America had writers fully as great as any in England and that it was only an inferiority complex on the part of the American public which kept them from being appreciated.

"Edith Wharton is one of the world's greatest writers," Mr. Lewis began, reading the roll, "but even she must labor under the handicap of being American born, and, therefore, in the mind of the American public, is inferior to English writers."

**Calls Roll of the Home-Bred**  
"We have Sherwood Anderson, who was born in Chicago and has been an advertising man, therefore cannot be great; Theodore Dreiser, Joseph Hergesheimer, whose style is as distinctive as that of Compton Mackenzie or Hugh Walpole; James Branch Cabell, Zona Gale, Floyd Dell, Villa Cather, Dorothy Canfield, Charles Norris, Booth Tarkington, who is cursed by having his books sell, which proves them bad; S. Scott Fitzgerald, who is going to be a writer the equal of any young European, and Waudo Frank, whose book The Dark Mother you should all buy. If you don't like it you should read it three times."

Mr. Lewis then declared that the American renaissance was upon us; that Thackeray and Swinburne were walking the streets of New York today and that a great literature would be created in the United States in the next generation, provided the anti-vice societies and the tired business men did not kill it off.

"We have just decided by a solemn referendum that 'Jurgens' must be suppressed," he said. "It was not one little insignificant group of reformers who made that decision. It was the masses of the American people who acquiesced in it."

**Tired Business Man Supreme**  
"This country is not a democracy, but an autocracy, ruled by the Tired Business Man, and the T. B. M. has fixed the notion that a thing is easy to read in proportion, as it is badly written. He buys poorly printed, badly written magazines further to befuddle his weary brain and cannot be made to believe that a well-written book would be much easier to read."

As he started to enter the hallway of the house in which he lives, a man stepped in front of him and three others appeared behind him. They grabbed him, kicked him, beat him, knocked him down—and took the \$1,000.

## Gompers Charges Most Strikes to Private Detectives

### Says Men Hired by Employers to Watch Unions Stir Up Trouble; Addresses Legislature for Orr Bill

ALBANY, March 29.—Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, told the Legislature here today that most strikes were caused by employers who hire private detectives to spy upon the unions and to act as general trouble makers in the organized labor movement.

The appearance of Mr. Gompers was in advocacy of the resolution of Assemblyman Samuel Orr of New York providing for a legislative investigation of alleged labor espionage. The labor leader also spoke against the bill of Assemblyman George E. D. Brady, of Buffalo. This latter was denounced by Mr. Gompers as a direct assault on labor and an attempt to crush the labor movement.

The Brady bill prohibits unwarranted strikes or lockouts by employees and employers in essential industries, or by employees whose term of employ-

## Flowers and Perfumery Charged in Lawyer's Bill

### Swarts Explains Fee From Film Actress; Kilroe Defends Action in Conspiracy Charge

Louis E. Swarts, an attorney, and Edwin P. Kilroe, Assistant District Attorney, on trial before Justice Weeks and a jury on an indictment charging conspiracy, were witnesses yesterday in their own behalf.

Cross-examined by William Rand, special Deputy Attorney General, about his charge of \$1,500 for legal services to Mrs. Helen Montrose St. Marie Bourasse, a motion picture actress, Mr. Swarts admitted he took into consideration his expenditure for orchids, perfumery and food given his client. These services to Mrs. Bourasse included the \$15,000 settlement with her husband, Napoleon A. Bourasse, a stock broker, who, it is alleged, had two wives living. Mrs. Bourasse received \$9,000 of this settlement, and Edward H. Berger, a lawyer, \$2,500.

Mr. Kilroe testified that he had expressed his doubt of the successful prosecution of Mr. Bourasse on the charge of bigamy in view of the facts placed before him. These facts were that Mr. Bourasse had been married three times. To prosecute him it would be necessary to have the aid of his first wife. She was in Canada, and could not be brought here to testify.

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